

# EXHIBIT TO DEPICT RED CROSS HISTORY

Part Women Have Played in  
War to Be Depicted in Show  
at City's Museum

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An exhibition illustrating the history of the American Red Cross and showing the vital role of women in war will be opened to the public tomorrow by the Museum of the City of New York, Fifth Avenue between 103d and 104th Streets. A private showing for members will be held this afternoon. The exhibition, called "For Humanity's Sake—From Sanitary Commission to Red Cross," is a part of the museum's war program.

The purpose of the display is to portray the highlights and the history of the American Red Cross and its predecessors, such as the United States Sanitary Commission of Civil War days, which marked the first step taken in this country toward the unification of civilian war relief under a single society.

It was a year after the organization of the sanitary commission, which grew out of a mass meeting in 1861 in Cooper Union, that J. Henry Dunant wrote his famous pamphlet "Un Souvenir de Solferino," which marked the beginning of the Red Cross. Included in the exhibition is a copy of this pamphlet, together with other items relating to the formation of the International Red Cross.

Many old prints, photographs and memorabilia illustrate the development of humanitarian relief work in this country. Miss Saidge F. Riccius, great-grandniece of Clara Barton, has lent much original material illustrating Miss Barton's Civil War activities and her efforts leading to the formation of the American Red Cross. The show comprises more than 300 items, arranged by Miss Grace M. Mayer, curator of prints at the museum, and Miss V. Isabelle Miller, curator of costumes.

In connection with documents and other memorabilia of the sanitary commission—the fairs held for its benefit, its work at home and on the battlefield—is an alcove with life-size figures showing the Women's Central Association of Relief, as the New York branch of the sanitary commission was called. The figures in costumes of the Civil War period are shown in a reproduction of the workroom in the Cooper Union headquarters.

Another alcove with life-size figures shows a 1918 workroom with Red Cross volunteers in original uniforms. The exhibition is brought down to date with photographs of activities of the Red Cross in the present war.

Shown in connection with this display is a collection of original pictures and posters interpreting Red Cross activities, purchased by the Red Cross as the result of an open competition held by the section of fine arts, Public Buildings Administration, Federal Works Agency, and selected by a jury of the American Red Cross from 2,038 entries submitted by 1,264 artists.

win, following a conference yesterday between Mr. Straus and Representative Michael J. Kennedy, leader of Tammany Hall.

Also being mentioned as possibilities were Dean Alfange, who was defeated by Mr. Baldwin in a special election after the death of Kenneth F. Simpson; Harry Henshel, a vice president of the Bulova Watch Company, and Samuel Rosen, a hotel man.

Preoccupation with its local concerns has been responsible, thus far, for Tammany's failure to take a more active part in the pre-convention campaigns of various potential candidates for Governor, it was indicated at Tammany Hall yesterday.

"New York has no candidate—yet," Mr. Kennedy said yesterday.

Some Tammany district leaders believe that Senator James M. Mead of Buffalo may yet become a candidate for the Gubernatorial nomination despite repeated disavowals of any such ambition. The latest statement by the Senator on the subject, a reply he made to a questionnaire addressed to him by Harold R. Moskovit, president of the Affiliated Young Democrats, has not changed their view.

#### **Mead Answers Questionnaire**

"Although I have refrained from becoming a candidate for public office this year, I do appreciate your kindness in writing to me," the Senator wrote.

In reply to the questionnaire, Senator Mead wrote:

"The all-important problem of the day is the winning of the war and, accordingly, we must avoid political strife which is in any way disruptive of our national unity. New York State can set an example for the rest of the country in the forthcoming Gubernatorial campaign by avoiding the bitterness of interparty differences and confining the issues to the more important test of fitness to lead the Empire State in harmony with the Administration's war effort. Candidates of the major political parties must meet that test.

"So far as filling out the questionnaire is concerned, my support of the President's national and international policies is sufficiently well known. With reference to that portion of your questionnaire which relates to the control of the party machine, I believe that to be a matter for the Democratic party in our State to determine."

#### **F. & M. Admits Girl Students**

LANCASTER, Pa., June 22 (AP)—Franklin and Marshall College broke a 155-year-old tradition today and admitted girl students for Summer school classes.

